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drowns out the hammer of the
knocker.

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JURY DISMISSED IN AUTO THEFT SUIT, DISAGREE

Deliberations Extended Over
Five and One-Half
Hours

ALL REMAIN SILENT

Judge Bodine Intimated Not
Guilty Verdict in Second
Charge

TRENTON, N. J., March 16th.—Failing to reach an agreement in the government's case against the four defendants in the auto theft conspiracy hearing in the Federal District Court here, the jury was dismissed at 9:30 o'clock last night. After four hours' consideration of the charges the panel was recalled by Judge Bodine and the court again intimated that a verdict of not guilty should be brought in. Five and one-half hours' additional deliberation, however, failed to bring about an agreement and the jury was discharged.

How the jury stood on the guilt or innocence of the defendants or what proved to be their chief stumbling block to reaching a verdict, could not be learned. None of the jurymen would speak of the case following their dismissal, and instead of loitering around the Federal Building when they came out of the room, all hurriedly left the court.

What action the government now intends to pursue could not be learned. Assistant U. S. Dist. Attorney James Turp, who conducted the case against the defendants, had returned to Newark prior to the dismissal of the jury. It was rumored, however, that the case would be nolle prossed.

The trial was concluded at noon with summations by the four attorneys for the defense, who bitterly attacked the government's case.

Only four of the original defendants remained at the conclusion of the trial. They are: Forman H. Wetherill, proprietor of the Greenwood Garage; Anthony J. Episcopo, Joseph Lester and Joseph Jeannetti, all charged with conspiracy to transport and sell stolen automobiles.

Calling the jury back at 4 o'clock, Judge Bodine again discussed the nature of the charges against the defendants and the evidence offered by the government to sustain them. During this second address, he practically dismissed the charges and directed the panel to return a verdict of not guilty.

Discussing the case against Jeannetti, Judge Bodine declared that there was no evidence to connect him with the conspiracy except that he had a car which was stolen and that he was in the vicinity of the Greenwood Garage when Wetherill was arrested. At the time of his arrest, the judge continued, Jeannetti was under 21 years of age. The car in his possession he had purchased paying \$50 down and arranging to pay a balance of \$400 through Hare and Chase, a Philadelphia auto finance concern. "The probabilities are," Judge Bodine here emphasized his concern, "that Jeannetti was not connected with the case."

In considering the case, the Court continued to the jury, conflicting probabilities and interests must be given attention. Wetherill, he said, has owned a garage for a number of years, and the only auto involved in the indictment is one he purchased for \$350, sending his son to Philadelphia to get. The son, Judge Bodine went on, brought back with him the bill of sale and certificate of ownership. This car was resold by Wetherill for \$400, said Judge Bodine.

"Gentlemen," inquired the Judge of the jury, "is it probable that anyone would buy cars knowing them stolen when profits on their resale were but \$25 or \$50?"

At another time, Judge Bodine told the jury that although witnesses showed that automobiles had been stolen, that testimony did not prove the charge of conspiracy. The only evidence to prove the charge, he said, was the confession of Alexander H. Keeler. Keeler turned State's evidence and was the government's star witness.

In his original charge to the jury upon the completion of the case, Judge Bodine said:

"The government's case all turns on the testimony of Alexander H. Keeler, a self-confessed thief. If you care to convict on that testimony, it is up to you, gentlemen."

An unusual concluding incident in the case arose during the summation by Morris B. Seigel, counsel for Joseph Jeannetti. Seigel was engaged in tearing to shreds the government's case against his client, when Judge Bodine interrupted.

"The only evidence against your client, Mr. Seigel, is that he bought a stolen car for \$150 and paid down \$50 in hard-earned cash," the judge said significantly. Seigel failed to take the cue and continued his address. Assistant Federal District Attorney Turp went to the bench and held a whispered conversation with the judge. It is presumed that Turp expressed a willingness to drop the charges.

Rieker Is Recovering Ali Reports Indicate

Ernest E. Rieker, slayer of his wife and Sheriff Kulp, of Bucks County, and who attempted suicide in his room in a hotel at Asbury Park, will soon be able to leave the Ann May Hospital at Spring Lake for return to his home in South Langhorne, where he will face trial on the double murder charge.

Rieker, an under clerk in the Inheritance Tax Office in Trenton, angered at his wife's intentions of divorcing him, shot and killed her, then turned his pistol on the Sheriff and seriously wounded him. Kulp died the next day in the Harriman Hospital here.

Fleeing through a cordon of police that stretched through all parts of New Jersey and near his home on this side of the Delaware river, Rieker, who made his escape in a stolen automobile, registered at the hotel in Asbury Park. After having a reporter sent to his room on the pretext of taking a story on the expose of the Sesqui, Rieker fired three shots through his body. He was not expected to live. His trial will be started as soon as possible, Arthur M. Eastburn, District Attorney of Bucks County, said.

POLICE BELIEVE THEY HAVE PAYROLL BANDITS

Two Men Are Now Under
Arrest and Search
Continues

FAKE TELEGRAM USED

PITTSBURGH, Mar. 16 (I.N.S.)—With the two men police allege hold the key to the solution of the \$104,000 Pittsburgh Terminal Coal Company payroll car bombing and robbery in custody, and \$33,000 of the loot recovered, detectives here today moved toward a complete solution of the case.

Paul Jaworski, suspect in the case, shown a fake telegram which police told him was from Joseph Weckoski, suspect, in Detroit, confessed a part in the sensational bombing hold-up. Jaworski led a squad of detectives to a cache on the Weckoski farm, near Bentleyville, Pa., where, hidden in a milk can, \$33,000 in bills was found.

Jaworski, police said, then admitted his part in the bombing, saying there were five men in the gang. He gave further information with which officers hope to round up the entire gang shortly. Weckoski was arrested in Detroit where, Jaworski said, he fled after the robbery.

DETROIT, Mar. 16 (I.N.S.)—Turned over to police here by a woman, Joseph Weckoski, 32, was held today for Pittsburgh authorities in connection with the bombing of an armored pay car near that city, in which \$104,000 was stolen last week.

About \$30,000 in currency, said to be part of the loot, was found by Pittsburgh police yesterday hidden under a thickset on Weckoski's farm near Bentleyville, Pa.

Mrs. Joseph Gowacki, wife of a cousin of Weckoski, brought the suspect into the police station.

Mrs. Gowacki said she induced Weckoski to come to the police station with her willingly when he called at her home last night shortly after detectives from headquarters had visited the place looking for him.

Taken to headquarters the suspect said he knew nothing of the loot found on his farm. He admitted he knew several strangers had been coming to his farm and conferring with a farm hand lately, but he did not know for what purpose.

Weckoski told police he was away from his farm Saturday when police first visited the place. He was driving toward his home, he admitted, when he saw the officers, and instead of driving in, he continued on to Pittsburgh, from which place he took a train to Butler and thence to Detroit.

After he had been turned over to Detroit police by Mrs. Gowacki, \$200 was found sewed in the lining of his coat sleeve. The suspect is a small, meek appearing man, who offered no resistance to his arrest and subsequent questioning.

Pittsburgh authorities notified Detroit police today they were led to the \$30,000 cache on Weckoski's farm by Joseph Jaworski of Detroit, one of two suspects held in the case.

After studying measurements and a photograph of the suspect sent here from Pittsburgh, Detroit police believe Jaworski has been implicated in several Detroit holdups.

Daughter Of Bristol Girl Is Now A Champion Baby

Betty Jayne Martin, of Spruce Street, Camden, N. J., 10 months old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Martin, was judged the winner in a prize baby contest of 400 babies conducted by the Art Craft Studios of Philadelphia.

What Our Legislators Are Doing

The Hon. Clarence J. Buckman, Member of State Senate from this district, has introduced the following bill which is herewith given:

To amend section sixty-three of the Act approved the sixteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-four) entitled "An act relating to negotiable instruments"

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That section sixty-three of the Act approved the sixteenth day of May one thousand nine hundred and one (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and ninety-four) entitled "An act relating to negotiable instruments" be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

Section 63. A person placing his signature upon an instrument otherwise than as maker drawer or acceptor is deemed to be an endorser unless he clearly indicates by appropriate words his intention to be (found) bound in some other capacity

Senator Buckman also introduced the following bill:

Making a deficiency appropriation to the commission for the acquisition of the various toll-bridges over the Delaware River between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey for the acquisition of a certain bridge site and the rebuilding of a bridge thereon

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met and it is hereby enacted by the

authority of the same That the sum of forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) or so much thereof as may be necessary is hereby specifically appropriated as a deficiency to the commission of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania created under the provisions of the act approved the twenty-sixth day of February one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five entitled "An act to amend section two of the act approved the eighth day of May one thousand nine hundred and nineteen (Pamphlet Laws one hundred and forty-eight) entitled "An act providing for the joint acquisition and maintenance by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey of certain toll-bridges over the Delaware River" to act in conjunction with a similar commission of the State of New Jersey as a joint commission for the acquisition of various toll-bridges over the Delaware River between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey for the purpose of jointly with the State of New Jersey acquiring the site and structure of the toll-bridge over the Delaware River between Center Bridge in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Stockton in the State of New Jersey in accordance with the provisions of the act approved the twelfth day of May one thousand nine hundred and twenty-five (Pamphlet Laws six hundred twenty-seven) entitled "An act making an appropriation to the commission for the acquisition of the various toll-bridges over the Delaware River between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and the State of New Jersey for the acquisition of a certain bridge site and the rebuilding of a bridge thereon"

DOYLESTOWN KIWANIS HEAR INTERESTING TALK

Pedro Blanko Gives Interesting
Discourse on Japan
Of Today

A NUMBER OF VISITORS

DOYLESTOWN, Mar. 16.—At the weekly dinner meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Doylestown at Brunner's Cafe, President William F. Fretz, of Pipersville, and A. Russell Thomas, secretary of the club, were elected delegates to represent the local club at the twelfth annual convention of Kiwanis International at Memphis, Tennessee, June 8-10. Alternates elected were William H. Satterthwaite, Jr., chairman of the underprivileged child committee, and Walter M. Carwithen, treasurer of the club.

Last night's program might properly be called international to a certain extent. The club observed St. Patrick's Day with appropriate decorations and dessert and listened to a fine address by Pedro Blanko, a native Filipino on "What American Democracy Has Meant to the Philippines."

Kiwanian Charles Moyer, chairman of the inter-club relations committee, announced an inter-club meeting to be staged by the Lansdale, Ambler and Glenside clubs at the William Penn Inn, Gwynedd Valley on Thursday night, March 31. A large delegation from the Doylestown club will attend the meeting.

"What Doylestown Needs in the Way of Athletics" will be the subject for discussion next Monday night during a program to be staged by Kiwanian Ed. Neis and his athletic committee. Coach William Wolfe, of the Doylestown High School, and Coach Joseph K. Weaver, of the Lansdale High School, a member of the Kiwanis Club of Lansdale, will be the speakers.

"Each for his country for the good of mankind and not each for his country whether right or wrong" was the theme developed by the speaker, Pedro Blanko.

Mr. Blanko declared there is absolutely no grounds for the accusation sometimes heard that the Philippines are an ingracious people toward the United States.

The speaker said that he has sometimes been asked that whether in his opinion, Japan would not gobble up the Philippines if that country were given her independence.

"The Japan of today is not the Japan of yesterday," Mr. Blanko declared. "Japan, in my opinion, means to be at peace with the rest of the world," he added.

Mr. Blanko said what he considered one of the most vital problems in America today is the question of Philippine independence. So important has it been, he said, that President Coolidge sent a representative there to study the situation. Reports of that investigation made certain recommendations. Mr. Blanko stated emphatically that he hoped the United States would accept to the letter, the recommendations of President Coolidge.

"Someone has said that the Philippines do not have money enough to run their own affairs," Mr. Blanko said. "I might say in answer to that, that we have as much money and

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ST. MARK'S CLUB WILL PRESENT PLAY TONIGHT

Premiere Will Be Given in St.
Mark's School
Hall

CAST IS NOW COMPLETE

"The Captivating Kitty Kelly" will be presented to the people of Bristol for the first time this evening at 8:30 by St. Mark's Dramatic Club in the school hall.

The winsome "Miss Kelly" is sure to win the hearts of the large audience which is expected to attend. The musical numbers for the comedy have been arranged by Miss Anna Archer. The members of the cast are the Misses Jane Lynn, Helen McHugh, Margaret White, Agnes Larrirey, Mary Fox, Gertrude Johnson and the Messrs. Daniel McDewitt, James Fox and James Sackville.

The sprightly chorus which will take part in the show consists of the Misses Eleanor Keating, Grace Blanche, Catherine Blanche, Harriett Lippincott, Helen Conley and Anna Sweeney. This nifty group of steppers is directed by Miss Mary Conley.

Added attractions will include a vocal ensemble by the school children of St. Mark's entitled "The Wild Irish Rose," featuring little Margaret Mary Robinson, Miss Doris Connor, Bristol's petite danseuse, will show her skill in the Marilyn Miller dance and the Kerry jig.

This performance will be repeated tomorrow night, Saint Patrick's night, at 8:30 p. m.

Dancing each evening after the show. Music by Kallenbach's Kollegians.

Tickets on sale at Clark's Jewelry Store, Mill street; Duffy's Store, Buckley and Spruce street; Cameron's Drug Store, Farraut avenue.

Hospital Card Party Was Well Attended

The card party given Monday evening in the Elks' Home by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Harriman Hospital, was very successful.

There were 18 tables of "500" formed, and eight games played. The prizes were numerous and beautiful. Nineteen prizes were given to those who attained high scores. They were: Mrs. A. Popkin, 4450; Mrs. Edward Wallace, 3550; Miss Eleanor Clements, 3790; Mrs. E. C. Hill, 3570; Mrs. Wm. H. H. Fine, 3490; Mr. John Lynn, 3490; Mr. J. J. Kelly, 3410; Mrs. Robert Rueli, 3400; Mrs. Marion Pearson, 3370; Mrs. A. Burke, 3290; Mrs. N. L. McDermott, 3270; Mrs. J. H. Wicher, 3260; Mr. John Rodgers, 3230; Mrs. N. B. Bertolette, 3210; Mrs. J. Singer, 3130; Mr. Fred Kenyon, 3070; Mrs. W. E. DeGroot, 3040; Mrs. H. Goldman, 3030; Mrs. H. Patterson, 3000.

There were also three consolation prizes awarded to: Miss Florence Peirce, 390; Mrs. C. Patterson, 630; Mr. Clarence Neal, 660.

During the counting of the scores, Charles Brodie and his "Klondike Nuggets," rendered a number of selections which were thoroughly enjoyed by all. The committee wishes to extend its thanks to the members of the orchestra who kindly offered their services for the evening.

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LATE NEWS

(By International News Service)

WELLSBURG, W. Va., Mar. 16.—Two persons were perhaps fatally injured and many passengers were slightly bruised and shaken when two passenger cars of the Wheeling Traction Company collided at Stop 53, near the Windsor power plant, four miles below here, today. A dense fog was blamed for the accident.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 16.—Profits derived from state or municipal contracts for street paving and repairing are taxable, the Board of Tax Appeals ruled today.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 16.—Closing arguments were reached today in the trial of Harry F. Sinclair for contempt of the Senate. A verdict before adjournment was anticipated.

ELKS PREPARING FOR BIG STATE CONVENTION

Easton Committee Busily Engaged Arranging All of
The Details

BIG FIREWORKS DISPLAY

Easton Elks are preparing for a big time for the 21st Pennsylvania Elks' State Convention to be held, week of August 22nd.

Exalted ruler, Joseph Fitzgerald, of Easton Lodge No. 121, has appointed and completed his various committees to make arrangements for the coming B. P. O. E. State Convention to be held in Easton this year.

The work attached to conducting a large affair of this kind is tremendous and Exalted ruler Fitzgerald showed his wisdom in not only selecting prominent and capable men for his committee but divided the responsibility pro rata.

The most important part of this work will be taken care of by a capable entertainment committee headed by Ed. G. Aicher, who has had charge of the many conventions held in Easton during the past thirty years. Each of his aids have heretofore served in various state convention entertainment committees.

While their program at present is not complete they have already decided on booking an aeroplane circus conducted by America's leading aviators at the same time an old fashioned balloon contest will be held probably on the Lafayette Athletic field.

Three thousand dollars will be set aside by the committee for fire-work displays, and in addition to many other surprises there will be held baseball games, tennis and golf tournaments, picnics, automobile tours, card parties, dances, band concerts, water carnivals, a mardi gras carnival, boxing, trap shooting, cabaret and vaudeville and there will also be a total of thirty banquets held in various hotels and clubs.

The grand ball and reception will be held on Wednesday evening, August 24th, in the new Elks auditorium.

Every lodge, club house and lunch wagon in the city will declare open house for the Elks and the large number of visitors the convention will bring to Easton.

Four first aid stations will be established with doctors and nurses in constant attendance at the various entertainments and public functions. Everything as near as possible will be furnished guests and visiting Elks free of charge.

Albert M. Pepper, secretary of the Easton Board of Trade is chairman of the publicity committee and has a group of eight well known nationally newspaper and magazine writers who promise to put the story of the convention over big. His co-workers are: Joseph D. Balentine, secretary; George N. Beisel, John J. Dachrodt, Ralph W. Foltz, John W. Mann, C. Leslie Montague, Wm. G. Seibert and Charles P. Warner.

SON IS BORN

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Winder, of Bristol Township, are receiving congratulations over the birth of a son, Stephen, Jr., born last evening. Mr. Winder will be remembered as Miss Alice Williams, formerly of Hulmeville.

VISITS HERE

Mr. Harry Benfer, Elkins Park, who is convalescing from a recent attack of pneumonia spent the week-end with his brother and sister, Mr. Frank Benfer and Mrs. Fannie Wright, of 500 Pond street.

—Mr. and Mrs. R. Cahoon, of 344 McKinley street, had as a guest last week, Mr. J. Peterson, of Vineland, N. J.

"40 & 8" TO MEET HERE ON SATURDAY EVENING

Monthly Dinner and Meeting
In the Bracken Post
Headquarters

EXPECT LARGE CROWD

On Saturday evening, Bucks County Voltaire Locale, No. 929, La Societe Nationale des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux, will hold its monthly dinner and meeting at the American Legion Post Rooms, Cedar street, Bristol, Pa. Dinner will be served at 6:30 p. m., and the meeting will be held at 8 o'clock. The committee has arranged an entertainment for the Voyageurs Militaire after the meeting.

The Bucks County Voltaire of La Societe Nationale des 40 Hommes et 8 Chevaux, better known as the "40 and 8," was chartered in September, 1926, and the organization meeting was held at Newtown in October of last year. At the present time five Posts are represented in the membership of the Voltaire. These five are Morrisville, Langhorne, Perkasie, Newtown and Bristol. Plans are being formulated to have every Post in Bucks County represented.

The "40 and 8" is the playground of the American Legion and its purpose is to bring into closer fellowship the individual members and posts of the American Legion in each county. To qualify for membership a Legionnaire must have been a member of the American Legion for at least twelve months and must have performed some service for the Legion, such as serving as a Post Officer or on one or more of the various committees of his Post, or have been a worker in the different activities of his Post. A "40 and 8" must always be a member in good standing of the American Legion.

The "Chef de Gare," or President, of Voltaire No. 929 is Harry F. Burbank, of Bristol Post, and the "Correspondant," or Secretary, is Robert Clark, Jr., also of Bristol. Legionnaires wishing to "join up" with the "40 and 8" may get the information necessary from their Post Adjutants or from the above officers of Voltaire No. 929.

Mrs. Rachel W. Ettenger Dies At Residence Here

Rachel W. Ettenger, nee Goslin, died last night at her late residence, 221 Otter street, after an illness of eight weeks.

Deceased was born in Bristol on Wood street, October 10, 1847, and was married here to Abram Ettenger. She had resided in the borough all of her life and is survived by six children.

The survivors are Mrs. William Holt, Howard Lynn, Bristol; Harry Ettenger, William Ettenger, Ellwood Ettenger, Philadelphia; Mrs. W. Wamsley, Emille.

Five grand children and one great grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. Charles Yeaman, Bristol, Mrs. Margaret Stout, Palmyra; two brothers, William Goslin, Bristol, Harry Goslin, Philadelphia, also survive.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon at two o'clock from the home of the daughter of the deceased, Mrs. William Holt, 221 Otter street. Burial will be in the Bristol cemetery.

HULMEVILLE

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Force and sons Harry and Madison, and William Kormsak attended a theatre performance in Philadelphia on Saturday evening.

Miss Margaret Perry, who has been confined to her home for several weeks, returned to her studies at the Hulmeville School this week.

—Miss Ida Neff and Mrs. Herzel Gawkin, of Buffalo, N. Y., are paying a several days' visit to Mr. and Mrs. B. Groff, of 323 Jackson street.

LOCAL EXCHANGE CLUB PASSES ITS FIRST MILESTONE

Music, Speech-Making And
Feasting Form Program
For the Evening

COVERS SPREAD FOR 75

Dr. Calvin Althouse, of Phila.,
Addresses Members And
Guests

With music, songs, speeches and an elaborate banquet, served in the social session room of the Elks' Home, the Bristol Exchange Club celebrated its first birthday anniversary last evening.

Covers were spread for seventy-five persons. Doron Green, president of the club, acted as toastmaster. In his opening remarks he spoke of the origin of the club and reviewed its history during the past year. He referred to its accomplishments and achievements and said that the spirit of good fellowship and goodwill which had been developed has made the club life worth while.

Burgess Clifford L. Anderson spoke in a happy strain, and congratulated the club upon the work which it has accomplished, and pledged his co-operation in any and all constructive suggestions which the club might make.

Dr. George T. Fox, who was the sponsor for the club and its first president, expressed his satisfaction over the success the club had attained during its first year, and said it far exceeded his expectations.

Carl Wenzel, president of the Rotary Club, made a most pleasing address, in which he extended the felicitations of his club, and expressed the hope that both clubs in their relations with one another, should be actuated by the spirit of co-operation and good fellowship.

Rev. James J. Bingham delivered an address which was teeming with humor and wit from beginning to end. His subject was "A Glimpse Into the Future," and he presented it in the form of a dream.

The speaker of the evening was Dr. Calvin Althouse, principal of the Central High School of Philadelphia. His address was eloquent and sparkling with humor.

During the evening vocal solos were sung by Mrs. Charles Bowen and Mr. Ernest Baxter, and piano solos were played by Mrs. James J. Bingham. Music for the banquet was furnished by a Bristol orchestra. The club poet composed several songs which contained local hits and which were much appreciated.

A splendid menu was served by a Philadelphia caterer, and taken in its entirety, the affair was one of the most delightful functions ever held in the town.

St. Charles Dramatic Club To Render Farce-Comedy

Tomorrow evening St. Charles' Dramatic Society, composed of young men and women of St. Charles' Parish, Cornwells Heights, will play the farce, "A Full House." The production will be staged in the new auditorium, on the ground floor of St. Charles' School building.

The auditorium has a spacious stage, is well lighted, with comfortable auditorium chairs for the audience. With a seating capacity of 500, the auditorium is one of the largest in Bucks County. No posts or pillars obscure the view of the stage from any part of the building, as the steel construction is of the open-space pattern.

Those taking part in the production are all local talent, and as this is the first appearance of the budding thespians, it is expected that the auditorium will be completely filled on Thursday evening with an admiring audience, anxious to be present at the debut of the company.

Those taking part are: Susie, Peggy Kurtz; Parkes, the butler, John Barrow; Auntie Winnecker, Kathryn Schwarz; Nicholas King, Stephen Kuery; Ottily, Mary Foulkes; Daphne, Florence Secoda; George Howell, Phil Doeple; Dougherty, a police sergeant, Herman Secoda; Officer Mooney, Joseph Schwarz, Jr.; Officer Kearney, John Wellendorf; Mrs. Fleming, Anna Foulkes; Ned Pembroke, John Dougherty; Mrs. Pembroke, Florence Schwarz; Vera Vernon, Peggy Surad. The play, which is in three acts, has been coached and will be directed by Miss Florence McAvoy, of Willow Grove.

COMMUNICATION

Editor, Courier:
I wish to thank the firemen of Bristol for their prompt action in extinguishing the fire at my store at 211 Mill street last Monday morning.

Yours sincerely,

THOMAS PROFY.

VISIT DAUGHTER

Mrs. L. C. Wettling, of Mill street, left on Saturday for Atlantic City for a week-end visit with her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Cobb. She was joined by Mr. Wettling on Sunday, both returning to Bristol on Sunday evening.

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CURB GAS PUMP MENACE

Far-seeing gasoline dealers have long recognized the impropriety and danger of placing gasoline filling stations close to the curb line and have built them on private property safely back from the stream of traffic. But the dealers have not all been far-sighted, and between every two stations sensibly situated are dozens projecting their unsightly pumps upon the city curb or flush against the gutters of country highways.

Curbs, sidewalks and gutters are public property for public usage. The only license for the presence of the gasoline pump on these public domains is the affording of public convenience. Since it has been proven that the filling station situated back from the highway or street is more convenient to the public than the curb pump, the excuse for the latter disappears.

The type of gasoline pump so often encountered consuming sidewalk space is a dual obstruction to traffic since it interferes with pedestrian traffic and, because it is a magnet for automobiles, obstructs vehicular movement. The curb gas station is more objectionable than the gutter pumps along the open roads and yet many states have forbidden the latter from state-owned highways.

Multiplying traffic is convincing the public that sidewalks and pavements are essentially channels for moving traffic, not for impeding signs, parked automobiles and gasoline stations. Many municipalities have already legislated against the cluttering up of sidewalks and curb lines with merchandise and signs and against automobile parking in congested streets. Some towns and cities have never permitted curb gas stations and therefore do not have that additional problem. Progressive communities are concerning themselves with driving the gasoline filling station off the streets.

THE SPENDING SEASON

In preparing the family budget for the year wise budgeteers provide a large contingency fund for spring. It is no witticism to talk of springtime expenses springing up as unexpectedly and quickly as spring onions. Like the Christmas budget, the most extravagant estimates are found woefully inadequate.

Enumerating a few of the possible and "more than likely" family expenses for spring, there are garden making, house painting and repairs, new home furnishings, automobile overhauling, Easter clothing for the whole brood, taxes, perhaps an increased rent on April 1 and a savings account in the bank for vacation exigencies and inevitables.

Modern customs seem incompatible with the seasons in the present order of the latter, especially in regards to spring and summer. Spring is regarded as the most costly season of the four for the American family, and yet it is during that short season that the family must save up enough of a surplus to meet the summer vacation expenses.

But lest spring should be made out an unwelcome visitor it must be admitted that the other three seasons offer their peculiar attractions for the family income and the family budget becomes a year around semaphore for both the inbound and outbound tracks of the family financial system.

Charity also covers a multitude of skin games.

News of Nearby Towns

Cornwells Heights

On Wednesday afternoon, March 9th, the sewing circle was delightfully entertained by Mrs. John Vandegrift.

On Friday evening, March 11th, the Pastor's Aid held its monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. T. N. Hyde.

On Tuesday evening, March 8th, Miss Gwendolin Whyte entertained the Christian Endeavor. A delightful evening was spent by the members.

On Sunday evening the Christian Endeavor prayer service was led by Miss Marguerite Russell.

Mr. A. Marshall reviewed the Sunday School lesson in an able paper on Sunday morning in Sunday School.

The fire company is kept busy hurrying to fields that have gone beyond the control of those who are burning the dry grasses.

Mr. Edward Steel is seriously ill at Frankford Hospital.

Mrs. John Knight spent Saturday at Bridgetown, N. J.

Mr. Shuennaker visited his mother in Philadelphia on Sunday.

The Methodist Church has been improved by having its roof painted and also its walls and ceiling. Mr. Joseph Smith had charge of the work which has greatly added to the appearance of the building. The cost will be in the neighborhood of \$200.

Parkland

The "Thursday Night Card Club" met in the home of the Aschenbrands with all members present. Mrs. J. Aschenbrand was winner of first prize. Mrs. Ed. Lawrence second prize.

Mrs. Etta Brown and family have returned to their home on corner of C street and Prospect avenue.

On Monday evening the vacant bungalow owned by Mr. Connor was completely destroyed by fire. The origin of the fire is unknown.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenning spent several days at their cottage, "The Witte-water" during the past week.

Louis Krause and family were in town on Saturday last arranging to return to their summer home.

On Friday morning fire was discovered coming from the roof of an unoccupied cottage on A street. The fire was kept under control by villagers until responding fire companies from Langhorne quickly extinguished the fire. The origin is unknown.

The bungalow on A street owned by Mr. Marko is being nicely finished up for home coming "in the good old summer time."

Mr. Austin Jones, Miss Dorothy Gansel and Mrs. M. Krouthamel motored to Doylestown on Monday evening to see a movie show.

Mr. John Grimes, of Christiana, Pa., spent the week with his sister, Mrs. Emma Mohl.

Miss Rose Thorne, of Rochester, N. Y., was a guest of Edna Foster last week.

Mrs. Howard Longacre is giving up her home to return to Philadelphia to accept a position and remain in the city permanently.

Miss Elizabeth M. Fish, now in California to regain her health is much improved and is expected to return the first week of May.

Tullytown

W. Lovett Leigh, of Main street, has been confined to his home for the past few days on account of illness.

The regular monthly meeting of the Tullytown Volunteer Fire Company was held in the fire house a few evenings ago. At this meeting several items of interest were discussed. Plans are being made by the firemen to repaint their building. A portion of this work has been started.

Hubert Updike, of Morrisville, was a guest of the company.

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The King's Daughters of the Church will serve the supper, commencing at 5 o'clock. Tickets which were placed on sale some time ago, have been in great demand.

Monday night in Atlantic City "Sammy" Moffo, of Bristol, defeated "Joe" Wilton, of Philadelphia, in an eight-round bout. Moffo carried six of the eight rounds; Wilton carried the other two. Moffo started at a fast pace, winning the first two rounds by a large margin. In the third, Wilton started a two-fist attack, which kept Moffo away. "Sammy" easily carried the next two. Wilton had a hard time winning the sixth. Moffo keeping his steady pace kept Wilton away, and landed hard in the closing rounds. Moffo weighed 138 pounds; Wilton, 135 pounds.

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—Mr. and Mrs. Asa Fabian, of Radcliffe street, had as dinner guests last evening, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Althouse and sons, of Philadelphia. Mr. Althouse addressed the diners at the Exchange Club banquet last night.



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Meeting of Camp No. 89, P. O. of A.
Meeting of Hopkins Lodge No. 87, I. O. O. F.
Meeting of Italian Welfare Association.

—Miss Ruth Plautt, New York City, is spending a week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Decker, Radcliffe street.

—Miss Margaret Pope, 622 Beaver street, was a week-end guest of Miss Honor Barrett, North Philadelphia.

—Miss Regina Peters has returned to her home on Bath street, after spending a week with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Boyle, Frankford, Pa.

—Mr. and Mrs. William Davis, of 626 Beaver street, were Sunday guests of their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Percy Smith, of the "Frances Apartments" in Frankford, Pa.

—Mr. Ridgeway Harveson, Philadelphia, was a guest of his sister, Mrs. L. E. Pope, of 310 Washington street, on Sunday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Howard L. Edwards and son, Leslie, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. James Morrison, of Bridgewater.

—Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Carey and daughter, Gertrude, Germantown, spent Sunday as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph MacDonald, of 546 Bath street.

—Mr. and Mrs. Abe Popkin and family, of Mill street, motored to Allentown, Pa., on Sunday and visited friends.

—Mrs. Mary Stackhouse, of Mulberry street, spent last week in Edgely, Pa., visiting her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Stackhouse.

—Mrs. Harry Goslin, of 225 Market street, spent Saturday and Sunday in Glenolden, Pa., as the guest of her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Morrow.

—Mrs. Robert Plum, of 243 Jackson street, will be a Thursday guest of Mrs. Edward Naar, of Trenton, N. J.

—Mrs. R. S. Redman, of Germantown, Pa., is paying a fortnight's visit to her daughter, Mrs. Walter A. Fagan, of 1506 Wilson avenue.

—Mr. Neal McFadden, of Newark, N. J., spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of his sisters, the Misses McFadden, of 1326 Pond street.

—Mr. and Mrs. John Vasey and family, of Trenton avenue, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vasey and family, of Harrison street, motored to Lumberville, Pa., on Sunday and visited Mr. Vasey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Vasey.

—Vera, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Randall, of 340 Har-

ison street, who has been ill at her home for the past two weeks, is well on the road to recovery.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. Praul, of 233 Wood street, entertained on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Coleman Kenderdine and son, Coleman, Jr., of Glen Lake, Pa.

—Mr. and Mrs. George Whitko, of Edgely, Pa., had as Sunday guests, the Misses Jessie and Peggy Hutchinson and Mr. William Ulrich, of Philadelphia.

—Mrs. Charles Lancaster and daughter, Dorothy, of Emille, Pa., were guests last week of Mrs. Lancaster's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Vasey, of 316 Harrison street.

—Mr. Charles Levers, of 346 Harrison street, has accepted a position in Philadelphia with the American Stores.

—Miss Margaret Arnold, of Philadelphia, was a guest yesterday of her nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Arnold, of 309 Radcliffe street.

—Mrs. Francis O'Boyle, of 1605 Wilson avenue, was a sight seer in Atlantic City, N. J., yesterday.

—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Cahall and daughter, Mildred and son, Ralph, Jr., of 248 Monroe street, were Sunday guests of Mr. Cahall's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William Cahall, of Philadelphia.

—Mrs. Jones, of Ocean City, Md., is paying a week's visit to her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. George Whitko, of Edgely, Pa.

—Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Smith, of Wilson street, were host and hostess on Friday to a number of friends at their home. An enjoyable evening was spent with music, dancing and games forming the attractions. At a late hour, refreshments were served.

The guests were: The Misses Florence Rothenberger, Irene Grow, Irene Shire, Mary Worthington, Mildred Phillips, Dorothy Dean and Ida Miller; Mrs. A. Goslin and Messrs. Melvin and Charles Goslin, William Grow, William Rousseau, William Clements, William Reeves, James Marshall, Walter and Earl Tomlinson and William Lodge.

—Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hubbs, of 216 Jackson street, entertained on Saturday evening at their home at the game of "500." Two tables of players were composed. The guests were: Mr. and Mrs. Robert Plum, Mr. Walter Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Perry Schick and Mrs. Paul Hamm, of Bristol; Miss Marian Hubbs, of Camden, N. J., and Mr. Neal McFadden, of Newark, N. J.

—Dr. and Mrs. Chas. H. Peet, of 255 Madison street, were Saturday and

Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley C. Uchaez, of Newark, N. J.

—The Misses Bertha and Beulah Thornton, and Fred Kenyon, of 513 Bath street, Mrs. Mary Boltz, of 203 Buckley street, and Mrs. John A. McGinley, of 231 Buckley street, with Mrs. Warner Walton and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Weed, of Holmesburg, Pa., attended a card party on Friday evening at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Herbert Tinsman, of Frankford, Pa.

—Miss Marian Hubbs, of Camden, N. J., week-ended at the home of her brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Hubbs, of 216 Jackson street.

—Mrs. Inez Jarvis, of 605 Radcliffe street, was hostess on Saturday evening to the members of her "500" club.

—Mr. Michael Larrisssey, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday at the home of his father, Mr. John Larrisssey, of 640 Corson street.

—"Bobby," the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ruehl, of 325 Mill street, passed the week-end in Trenton, N. J., visiting his grandmother, Mrs. Josephine Chambers. "Bobby's" parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ruehl, spent Sunday at the home of Mrs. Ruehl's mother, Mrs. Chambers.

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"The Ford Company will continue to build two million cars and trucks every year, a hundred thousand or more tractors and other units," according to Norval A. Hawkins, former sales manager for Ford Company, who was a witness in Ford tax suit instituted by Federal Government.

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Someone has recently offered a billion for the Ford plants. A New York banking house was behind it, according to Mr. Hawkins. Mr. Ford is reported to have laughed off the offer and turned his attentions to his Little Red School House in Massachusetts.

But the most outstanding remark was that no change would be made in Model T that could not be incorporated in any Ford car running today. That policy which has been stressed many months ago was again pointed out that Ford would continue to make improvements in the car as developments warranted.

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The tax hearing in progress in Detroit and Washington is revealing many interesting sidelights on the

early history of the Ford Motor Company as well as predictions for the future.

Norval A. Hawkins, with Ford for twelve years as auditor and later sales manager, when asked "has what happened in the last few years relation to what is going to happen from now on?" replied quickly, "I think Mr. Ford is equal to the task of making happen whatever he wishes to happen. I think Mr. Ford's business during the next five years will be just as profitable as it was in the last five years. I should say more so rather than less."

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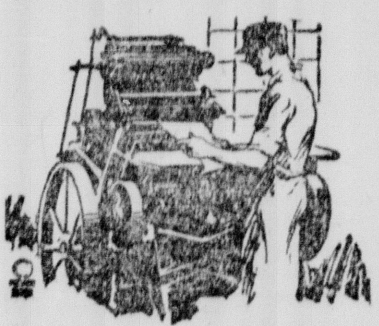
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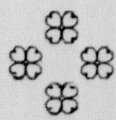
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